

SENATE BILL 45  
By Cohen

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 39,  
Chapter 17, Part 15, relative to local regulation of  
tobacco product use.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 39, Chapter 17, Part 15, is amended by deleting § 39-17-1551 in its entirety and by substituting instead the following:

Section 39-17-1551. In protection of public health, safety and general welfare, a city, county or county having a metropolitan form of government may, within their jurisdiction, adopt legislation by resolution or ordinance regulating the public use of tobacco products including, but not limited to, cigarettes, cigars and pipe tobacco. Airport authorities created pursuant to the provisions of title 42; utility districts created pursuant to the provisions of title 7; and special school districts may regulate the use of tobacco products in buildings owned or leased by such entities. Nothing in this section shall be construed as granting authority to a city, county or county having a metropolitan form of government to supersede state laws and regulations concerning tobacco product use.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon becoming a law, the public welfare requiring it.